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1. The Yugoslav crude oil production in the year 1949 amounted to 340,000 tons. The production in 1950 is expected to be increased to 410,000 tons. This appreciable increase would come from a more intensive production in the oil fields of Donja Lendava, but also from an extensive exploration and development of the oil-rich areas in northern Croatia, in the area southeast of Zagreb which extends between the Sava in the south, Bjelovar in the north, and Daruvar in the east. The center of this field is the zone of Gojlo, north of the Sava.
2. The shortage of drilling machinery is of greatest concern to the planners of the Five-Year Plan. After all deliveries from Czechoslovakia stopped in 1948, blueprints of existing machinery were made and the Djuro Djakovic plant in Slavonski Brod was entrusted with the production of five complete drilling sets which were ready for operation in September 1949. Towards the end of 1948, the first complete drilling equipment had arrived from the United States. Five additional drilling sets have since been manufactured at Slavonski Brod and placed in operation early in 1950. Soon thereafter it was decided to erect in Slavonski Brod a plant for the exclusive construction of complete drilling equipment and for its repair. This factory, which is already under construction, will also manufacture refining machinery.
3. During 1949 three refineries were erected in Serbia; several are under construction in Dalmatia. After the Five Year Plan in 1951, the total production of gasoline is expected to reach 75,000 tons (of which 20,000 tons is synthetic gasoline), compared with 4,000 tons in 1946. The best-known refineries are: the refinery in Rijeka with a yearly production of 850,000 barrels; the refineries at Sisak, at Sumecani which lies northeast of Ivanic Grad on the Belgrade-Zagreb railway, and at Bosanski Brod on the south bank of the Sava and 220 kilometers west of Belgrade.

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